



PATH Intl. Certification Testing Code of Conduct

PATH Intl. is committed to providing a safe, professional and inclusive experience for all individuals participating in PATH Intl. events, including certification testing events. All certification candidates are expected to conduct themselves with integrity in a cooperative and courteous manner in accordance with the PATH Intl. Certified Professional Code of Ethics, and not engage in disruptive behavior, dishonest or disorderly conduct or intentionally interfere with the certification testing of other candidates. Expectations of candidates include, but are not limited to:

- Ethical demonstration of identity and personal knowledge, skills and abilities
- Support of a distraction-free, positive testing environment
- Respect of the testing preparation preferences of others
- Compliance with policies of the testing center
- Engagement in positive conversation following testing and while waiting for results
- Reasonable redirection of negative behaviors or communication

Disruptive behavior, dishonest conduct or disorderly conduct compromises a stable and successful testing environment. “Disruptive behavior”, “dishonest conduct” or “disorderly conduct” means actions that a reasonable test administrator or candidate would view as intentionally interfering with normal and upstanding test administration functions or activities. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Refusal to comply with policies of the testing center
- Refusal to comply with direction from a test administrator
- Engaging in or promoting fraudulent activities and/or cheating behavior
- Behavior that distracts from the concentration of other candidates within in the testing room/environment
- In extreme cases, threats, harassing behavior or personal insults

In cases where a candidate conducts themselves in a manner that detracts from a respectful and ethical testing environment, PATH Intl. representatives and/or the test administrator will provide a warning to communicate the specific concerns about the candidate’s conduct. If the candidate does not appropriately respond to sufficiently ameliorate the situation, PATH Intl. representatives and/or test administrators are authorized to excuse that candidate from the certification testing by, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) Temporary or total dismissal from the room where the testing is being held
- 2) Temporary or total dismissal from the facility/center where the testing is being held

3) Permanent banning from the facility/center where the testing is being held

Total dismissal from a PATH Intl. certification exam administration will result in forfeiture of registration fees.

Reports of behavior or activities in conflict of this code of conduct will be investigated by PATH Intl., the PATH Intl. Credentialing Council and/or the PATH Intl. Grievance Review panel.